



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Hermann Bujard and  
Manfred Gossen

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TRANSCRIPTIONAL INHIBITOR FUSION  
PROTEINS (as amended)*

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**REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

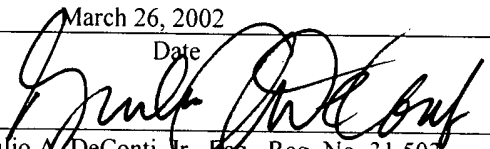
Dear Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application dated October 26, 2001.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the appropriate extension fee based on large entity status. Please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

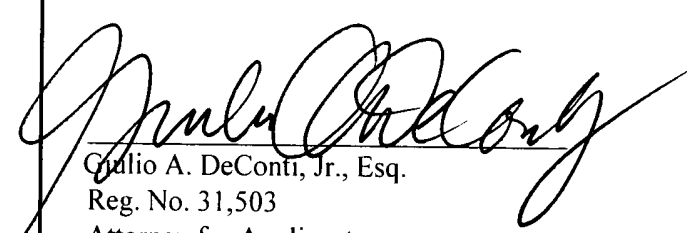
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